ARIZONA GAME AND FISH DEPARTMENT HABITAT PARTNERSHIP COMMITTEE HABITAT ENHANCEMENT AND WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT PROPOSAL

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PROJECT INFORMATION							
Project Title: Sonoran Pronghorn Water Development #4							
Region and Game Management Unit: Region IV / GMU 45							
Local Habitat Partnership Committee (LHPC):Southwest Arizona		C):	Was the project presented to the LHPC? YES[X] NO[]				
Has this project been submitted in previous years? YES[] NO[x] If Yes, was it funded? YES[] NO[] → Funded HPC Project #(s):							
Project Type: Water Development							
Brief Project Summary: Build a new water to support the re-introduction of Sonoran pronghorn in King Valley, AZ.							
Big Game Wildlife Species to Benefit: Sonoran pronghorn, Mule deer.							
Implementation Schedule (Mo	fonth/Day/Year): Environmental C			-			
Project Start Date: April, 2 2013			NEPA Completed: $Yes[X]$ No[] N/A[] Projected Completion Date:				
Project End Date: May, 15, 2013		State Historic Preservation Office - Archaeological Clearance: Yes[X] No[] N/A[] Projected Completion Date: Arizona Game and Fish Department EA Checklist: N/A[] To be Completed by:Iill Bright Projected Completion Date:					
	PROJI	ECT	FUNDING				
Special Big Game License Ta	g Funds Reques	ted:	ed: \$5,000				
Cost Share or Matching Fund	ds:		\$ 26,077				
Total Project Costs:			\$ 31,077				
PARTICIPANT INFORMATION							
Applicant (please print): John Hervert	Address: 9140 E. 28 th Street Yur		ıma Az	E-mail: na Az jhervert@azgfd.gov			
Telephone : 928-341-4041				Date : 8-31-12			
AGFD Contact and Phone No. (If applicant is not AGFD personnel):							
Project has been coordinated with:							

NEED STATEMENT – PROBLEM ANALYSIS:

King Valley, Arizona is historic habitat of Sonoran pronghorn. Water development is required to support the re-introduction project currently occurring in King Valley. Fragmentation and alteration of habitat over the last hundred years requires intervention to restore the suitability of the habitat for pronghorn. Water development will enhance the habitat for Sonoran pronghorn.

PROJECT OBJECTIVES:

Develop a reliable water source for Sonoran pronghorn with enough storage capacity to avoid water hauling.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND STRATEGIES:

Build a 17,000-gallon water development within historic habitat for Sonoran pronghorn using volunteer labor, and donated equipment.

PROJECT LOCATION:

King Valley, Kofa National Wildlife Refuge, Arizona. 33° 11' 23" N 113° 04' 18" W

LAND OWNERSHIP AT THE PROJECT SITE(S):

(if the project area is <u>private property</u>, please state specifically and provide the landowner's name)

• US Fish and Wildlife Service

IF PRIVATE PROPERTY, IS THERE A COOPERATIVE BIG GAME STEWARDSHIP or LANDOWNER AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE LANDOWNER AND THE DEPARTMENT? YES[] NO[X] N/A[]

HABITAT DESCRIPTION:

Sonoran Desert Lower Colorado Subdivision.

ITEMIZED USE OF FUNDS:

<u>Special Big Game License Tag Funds</u> \$5,000 for materials (24 inch PVC pipe, and end caps).

Cost Share or Matching Funds (for volunteer labor rates please refer to the worksheet below) \$18,667 for materials from AZGFD and federal funding sources.

LIST COOPERATORS AND DESCRIBE POTENTIAL PARTICIPATION:

Arizona Antelope Foundation, Yuma Valley Rod and Gun Club

WOULD IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS PROJECT ASSIST IN PROVIDING, MAINTAINING, OR FACILITATING RECREATIONAL ACCESS?

YES[] NO[X] N/A[]

PROJECT MONITORING PLAN:

This water development will be monitored by the district wildlife manager throughout the year. The water is checked at a maximum 30 day interval between May and October and periodically throughout the winter months.

PROJECT MAINTENANCE:

Underground PVC water developments have been in use since 1995 in Region IV. Periodic cleaning of the trough and water collection silt traps is expected to occur occasionally. If installed correctly, this project will require a minimum of maintenance. This water development will be maintained by Region IV personnel and USFWS as needed.

PROJECT COMPLETION REPORT TO BE FILED BY:

John Hervert, Wildlife Program Manager, Region IV.

WATER DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS (please use the worksheet below):

TREE CLEARING/REMOVAL PROJECTS (please use the worksheet below): N/A

ARIZONA GAME AND FISH DEPARTMENT WATER DEVELOPMENT WORKSHEET

PRC	JECT TITLE: Sonoran Pronghorn Water Development #4
1)	Is the water development listed as a priority in the most recent "Wildlife Water Development Annual Implementation Schedule?" YES
2)	Please list the Development Branch personnel and date coordinated with for this project. Ed Jahrke 8-30-11.

- 3) What is the estimated annual inches of precipitation for the area? (mark one) []2-4 [X]4-6 []6-8 []8-10 []10-12 []12-14 []14-16 []>16
- 4) Is there a perennial water source available to big game within four miles of this project? YES[X] (please complete #5 below) NO[] (skip #5 below)
- 5) For the accessible, perennial water source nearest this project:

Name of water source: Little White Tank

Type of water source (catchment, spring, dirt tank): Developed pothole

Ownership of water source: USFWS Distance in miles from project: 4.09 miles

- 6) Is the target wildlife species a result of transplant efforts? YES[X] NO[]
- 7) Please list any special land management status for the project site (i.e. Wilderness, National Park, National Monument). If private land, list landowner.

 None.
- 8) Please provide the following information about access to the proposed site:

 Type of access (mark one): [X]2x4 vehicles []4x4 only []foot only**

**If foot access only: Distance in miles:_____ Approximate hiking time: _____

- -- Does access to this site require crossing private or tribal lands? YES[] NO[X]
- -- Please describe any restrictions to public access:
- 9) Please list below (or on a separate sheet) the <u>material type and dimensions</u> of each component proposed to be added, modified, or repaired.

24 inch PVC pipe (36 sections, 20 feet long); 36 inch deep drinker.

10) Was a site visit completed? Yes[X] No[]

If Yes, please list personnel that attended and date.

John Hervert, Regional Wildlife Program Manager, Susanna Henry, Refuge Manager, Kofa. Jill Bright, Sonoran Pronghorn Project leader. March 5, 2009.

ARIZONA GAME AND FISH DEPARTMENT VOLUNTEER HOURLY RATES AND CLASSIFICATIONS WORKSHEET

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The value of volunteer labor should be calculated at the hourly rate of an employee doing similar work, or using hourly rates from the Arizona Department of Administration's Human Resource web site, plus a standard ERE rate of 35%. http://www.hr.az.gov/HR Professional/Class Comp/PDF/alphacovered.pdf

\$0.445/mile should be the calculation used for mileage.

Water Development	Volunteer Hours	Volunteer Miles	Hourly Rate	Estimated Value
	480	1400	\$14.14	\$7,410
Habitat Restoration and Clean Up	Volunteer Hours	Volunteer Miles	Hourly Rate	Estimated Value
			\$14.14	
Fisheries	Volunteer Hours	Volunteer Miles	Hourly Rate	Estimated Value
			\$14.14	
Nongame Branch Project	Volunteer Hours	Volunteer Miles	Hourly Rate	Estimated Value
			\$14.14	
Misc/office work	Volunteer Hours	Volunteer Miles	Hourly Rate	Estimated Value
			varies	
Community Services	Volunteer Hours	Volunteer Miles	Hourly Rate	Estimated Value
			\$7.44	
Events and Other	Volunteer Hours	Volunteer Miles	Hourly Rate	Estimated Value
			\$14.14	
Research Branch	Volunteer Hours	Volunteer Miles	Hourly Rate	Estimated Value
			\$14.14	
Wildlife Area Hosts	Volunteer Hours	Volunteer Miles	Hourly Rate	Estimated Value
			\$17.44	
Education Programs	Volunteer Hours	Volunteer Miles	Hourly Rate	Estimated Value
			\$16.07	
Totals				\$7410